

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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APPLICATION NO:

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FOR: PIPERIDINE AMIDES AS MODULATORS OF CHEMOKINE
RECEPTOR ACTIVITY

MAIL STOP: Patent Application
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is filed in conjunction with a Divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 09/885,550 filed June 20, 2001.

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Specification

Please insert the following paragraph:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This case is a divisional of 09/885,550 filed June 20, 2001, which claims benefit to Provisional Application 60/213,066 filed June 20, 2000.

In the Claims

Please delete claims 4, 6, 8, 11, and 12.

Please amend claims 1, 5, 10, 15, 18, and 19.